The question was then put on instructing the committee as moved for by Mr. Kennedy, and determined in the negative.

The senate adjourned until to morrow morning 10 o'clock.

## SATURDAY, Jan. 22, 1831.

The senate met. Present the same members as on yester-day.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Heath from the committee reported a bill, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act concerning crimes and punishments; which was read the first time and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Heath asked and obtained leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act relating to insolvent debtors in the city and county of Baltimore. Ordered, That Messrs. Heath, Smith and Harrison, be a committee to prepare and report the same.

Mr. Smith presented the petition of Charles Bausman, and others, of Baltimore county, praying for the passage of a law to provide for the prompt payment of witnesses in criminal cases; which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the same subject.

The bill, entitled, An act to explain the second section of the act, entitled, An act to provide for the support of schools in Queen Anne's county, and to withdraw the funds from the Centreville academy, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, and having been engrossed, was then on motion of Mr. Harrison, read a third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act to provide for the admission of Somerset county to the benefits of an act, entitled, An act to provide for the public instruction of youth in primary schools throughout this state, was read the third time, passed, and returned to the house of delegates.

On motion of Mr. Rees, the engrossed bill, entitled, An act to fix the compensation of jurors in Kent county, was read the third time by special order, passed, and sent to the house of delegates.

The bill, entitled, An act relative to the public buildings at Annapolis, was read the second time, and the question put on engrossing the bill for a third reading, and determined in the negative. So the bill was rejected.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivered a bill, entitled, An act to alter and repeal so much of the tenth section of an act passed at December session 1829, chapter 87, as